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DATA PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING POWER

CONSUMPTION IN BACK-LIGHT IN DATA PROCESSING DEVICE

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

- 1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 8-181755, published July 12, 1996.
- 2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 6-120864, published April 28, 1994.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes

prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore Applicant is filing

concurrently herewith a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). No fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p)

is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for

foreign language documents, Applicant encloses here with a copy of a corresponding Japanese

Office Action dated August 19, 2003 and an English translation of the pertinent portions thereof

which cites such documents and indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such

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The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

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